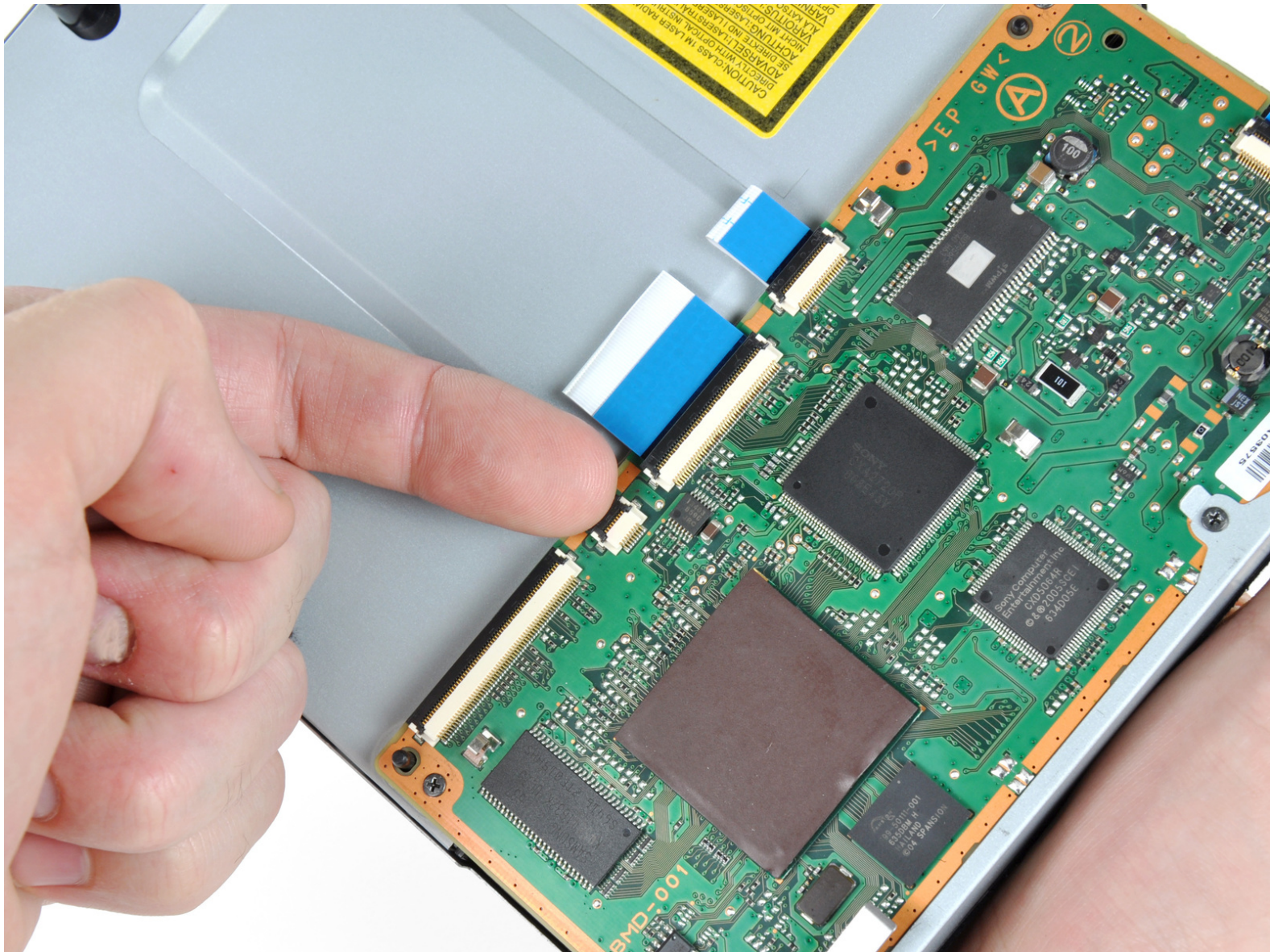




# PlayStation 3 Blu-Ray Drive Replacement

Swapping Optical Drive

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## INTRODUCTION

Use this guide to replace a broken or faulty Blu-ray Drive in your PlayStation 3. This guide shows only how to replace the original style of Blu-ray drive, KEM-400.

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### TOOLS:

- [Phillips #00 Screwdriver](#) (1)
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## Step 1 — Smart Plate



- Use the tip of a spudger to remove the black rubber screw cover from the side of the PS3.
- ❗ The screw cover may be underneath a warranty sticker. This sticker will change appearance, and show "VOID" after it has been removed.

## Step 2



- Remove the single 8.5 mm T10 Security Torx screw from the smart plate.


## Step 3



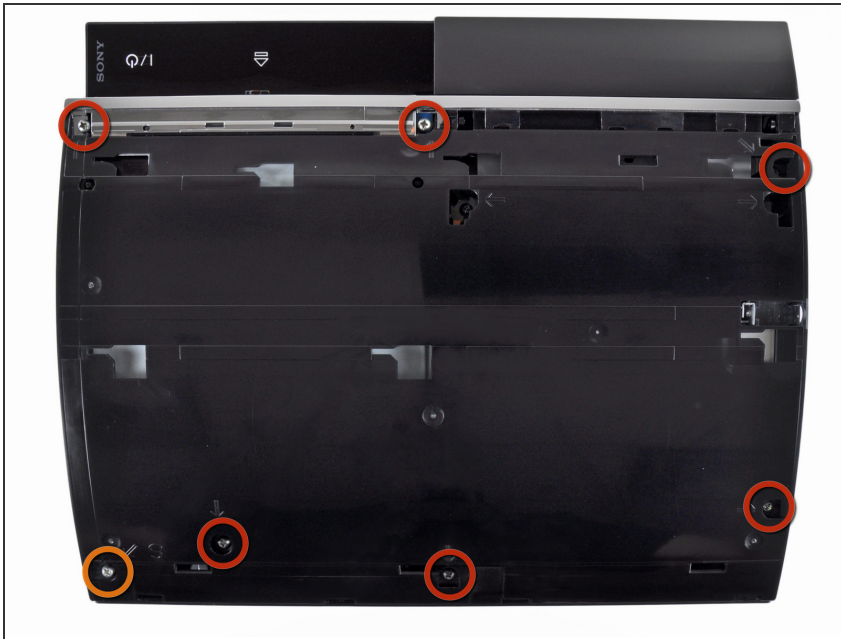
- Pull the smart plate toward the hard drive bay, then lift it off the body of the PS3.

## Step 4



 Be sure to keep track of the small metal bracket loosely held in the top cover, if equipped.

## Step 5 — Top Cover



- Remove the following seven screws:
  - Six 52 mm Phillips screws
  - One 30 mm Phillips screw

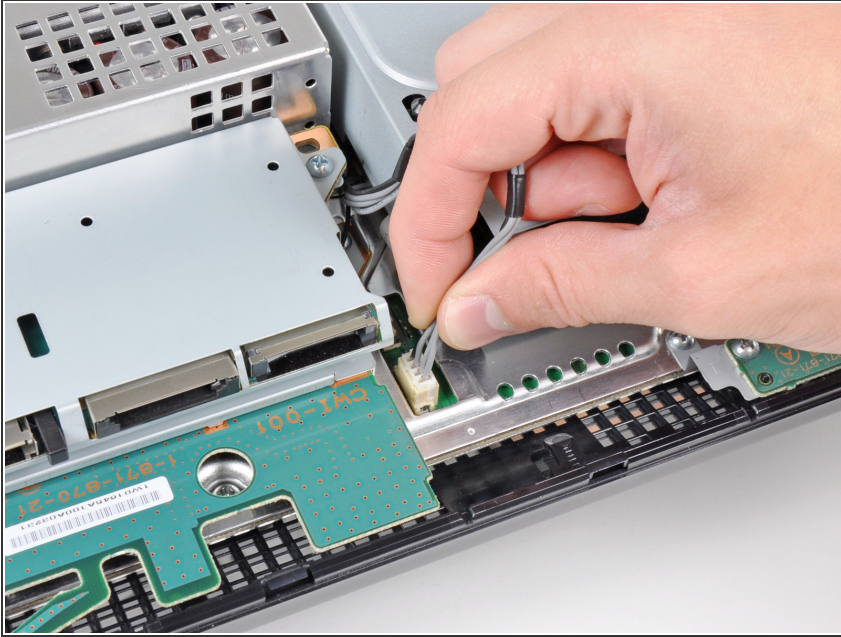
## Step 6



- Lift the top cover from its rear edge and rotate it toward the front of the PS3.
- Remove the top cover.



## Step 7 — Blu-ray Disc Drive



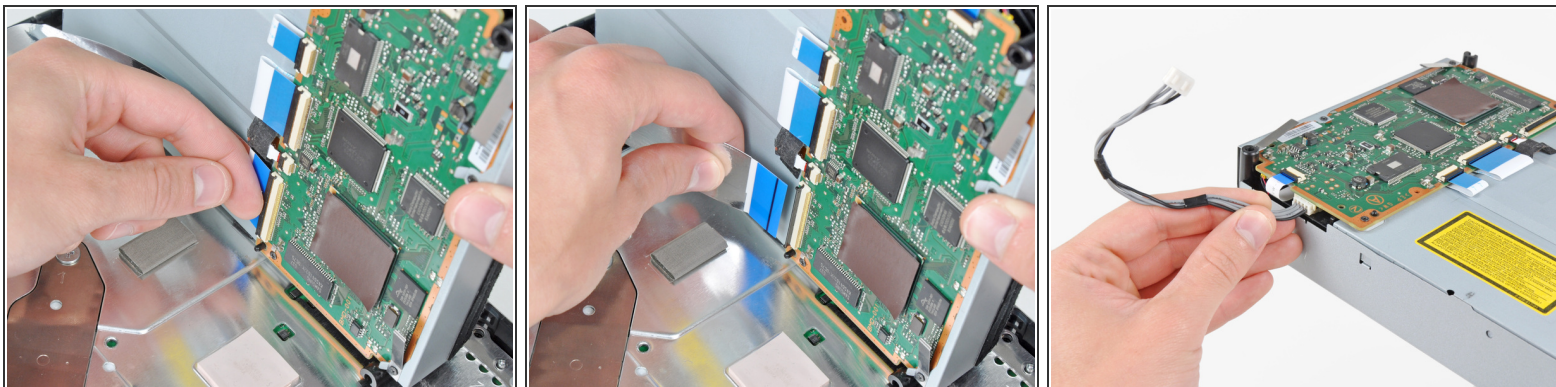
- Disconnect the Blu-ray power cable from the motherboard.
- ⓘ Pull the connector straight up and out of its socket.

## Step 8



- Lift the Blu-ray drive from the edge nearest the power supply and rotate it away from the chassis enough to access its ribbon cable.

## Step 9



- Use your fingernail to flip up the retaining flap on the Blu-ray ribbon cable socket.

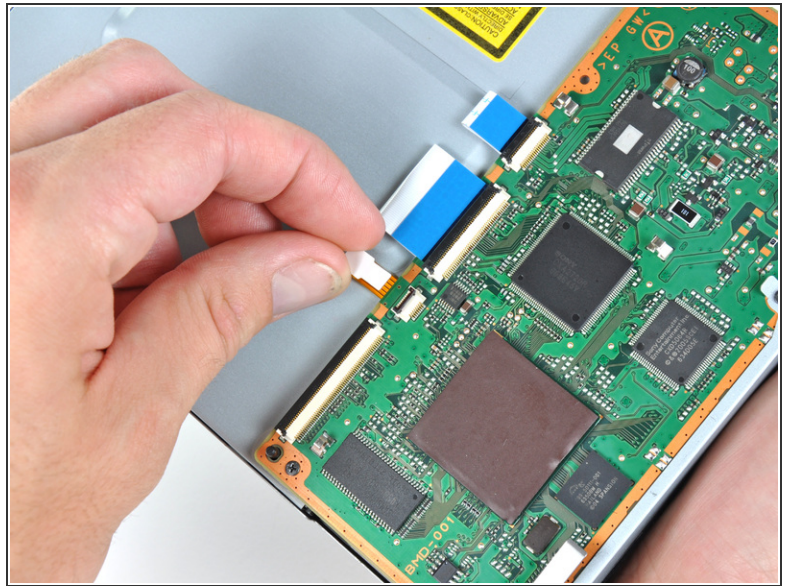
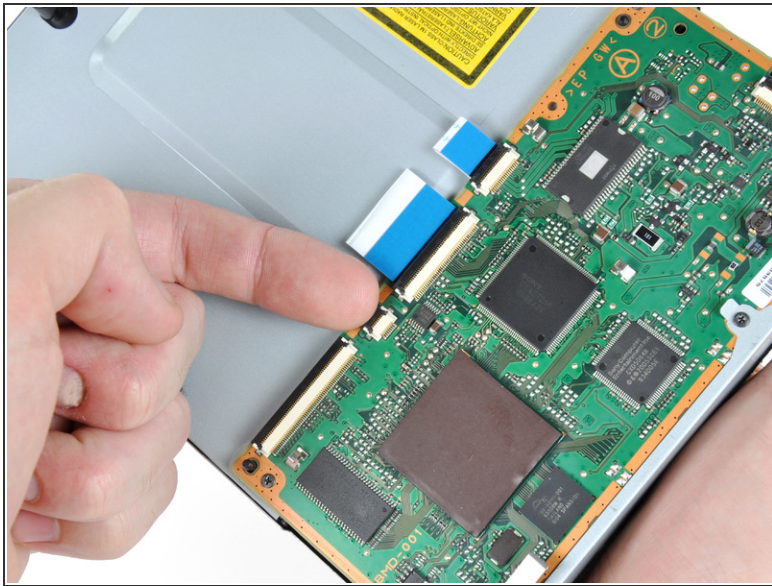
⚠ Be sure you are prying up on the retaining flap, **not** the socket itself.

- Pull the ribbon cable out of its socket.

- Remove the Blu-ray drive from the PS3.

☑ If replacing the Blu-ray drive, transfer the power cable to your new drive.

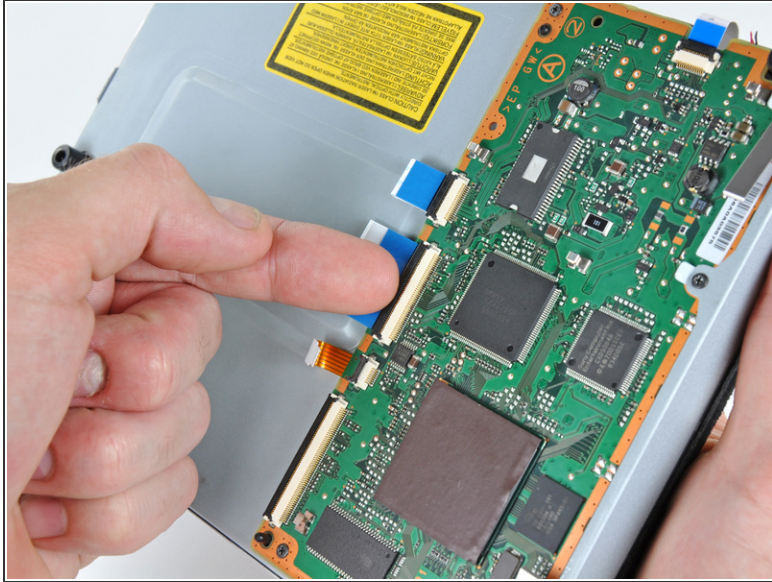
## Step 10 — Blu-Ray Drive



- Using your fingernail, lift the flap on the ZIF connector holding the Blu-ray lens motor cable to the Blu-ray control daughterboard.
- Pull the ribbon cable straight away from its socket on the daughterboard.

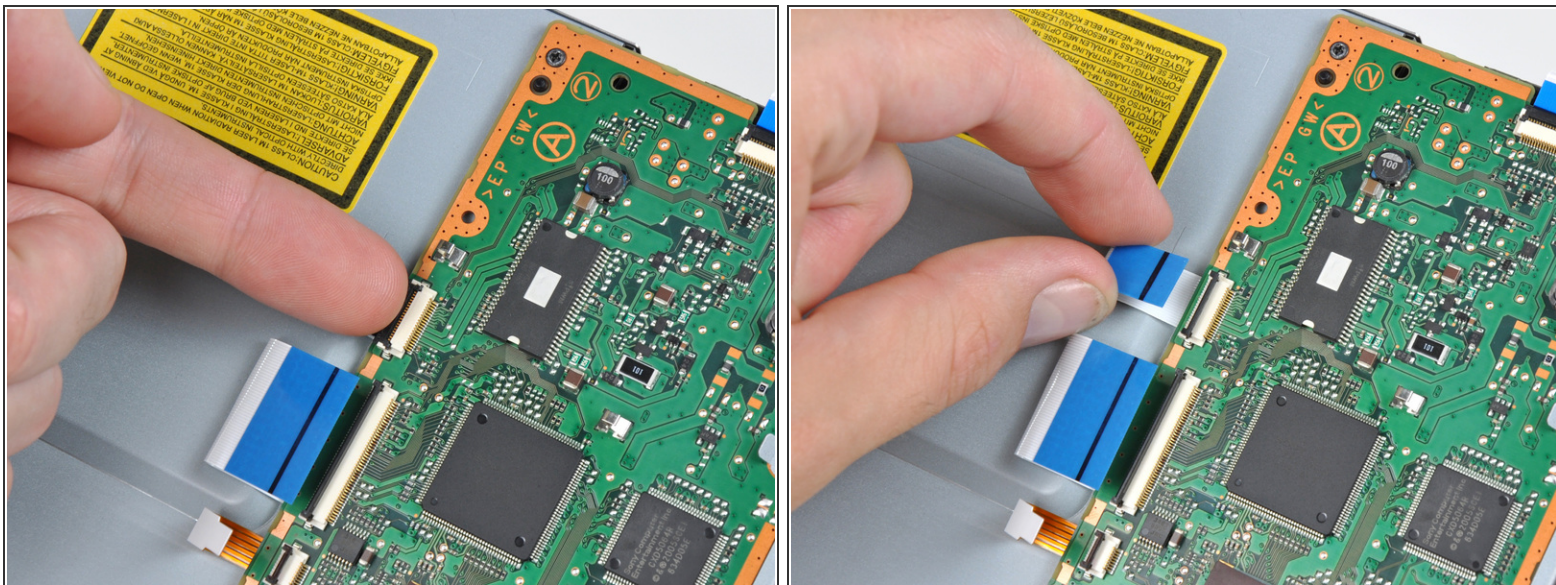


## Step 11



- Using your fingernail, lift the flap on the ZIF connector holding the Blu-ray lens Data cable to the Blu-ray control daughterboard.
- Pull the ribbon cable straight away from its socket on the daughterboard.

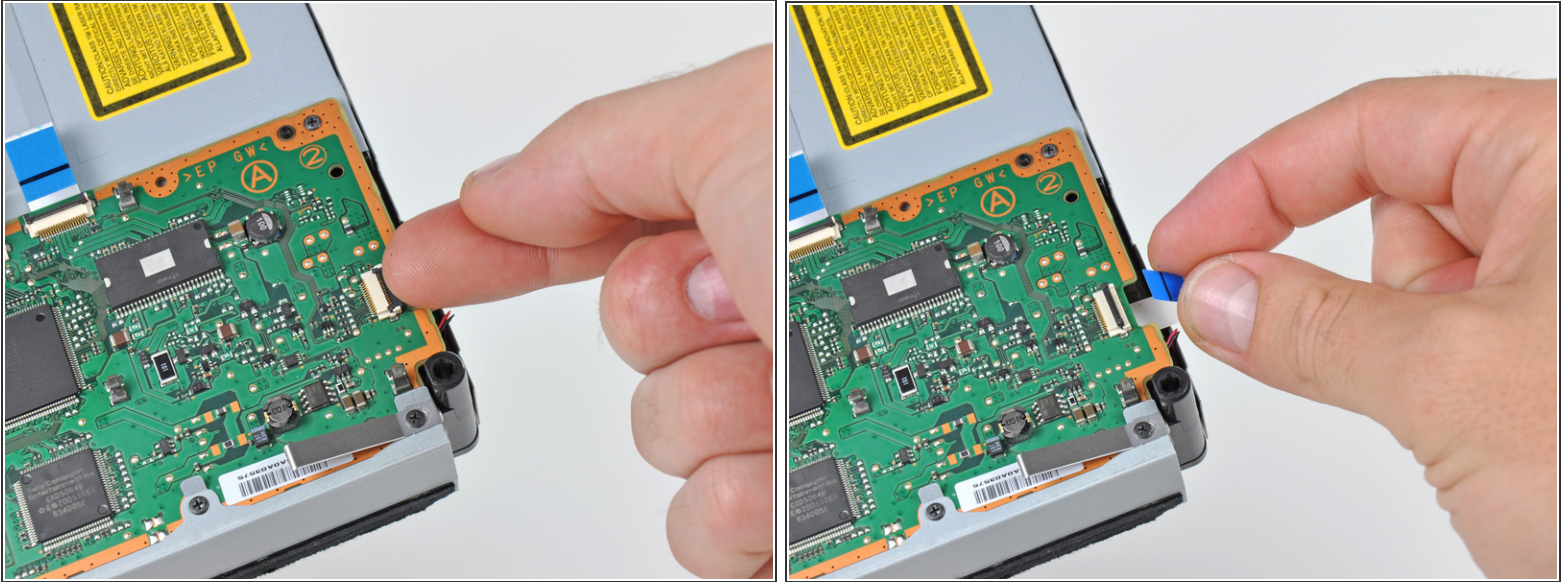
## Step 12



- Using your fingernail, lift the flap on the ZIF connector holding the Blu-ray drive motor cable to the Blu-ray control daughterboard.
- Pull the ribbon cable straight away from its socket on the daughterboard.

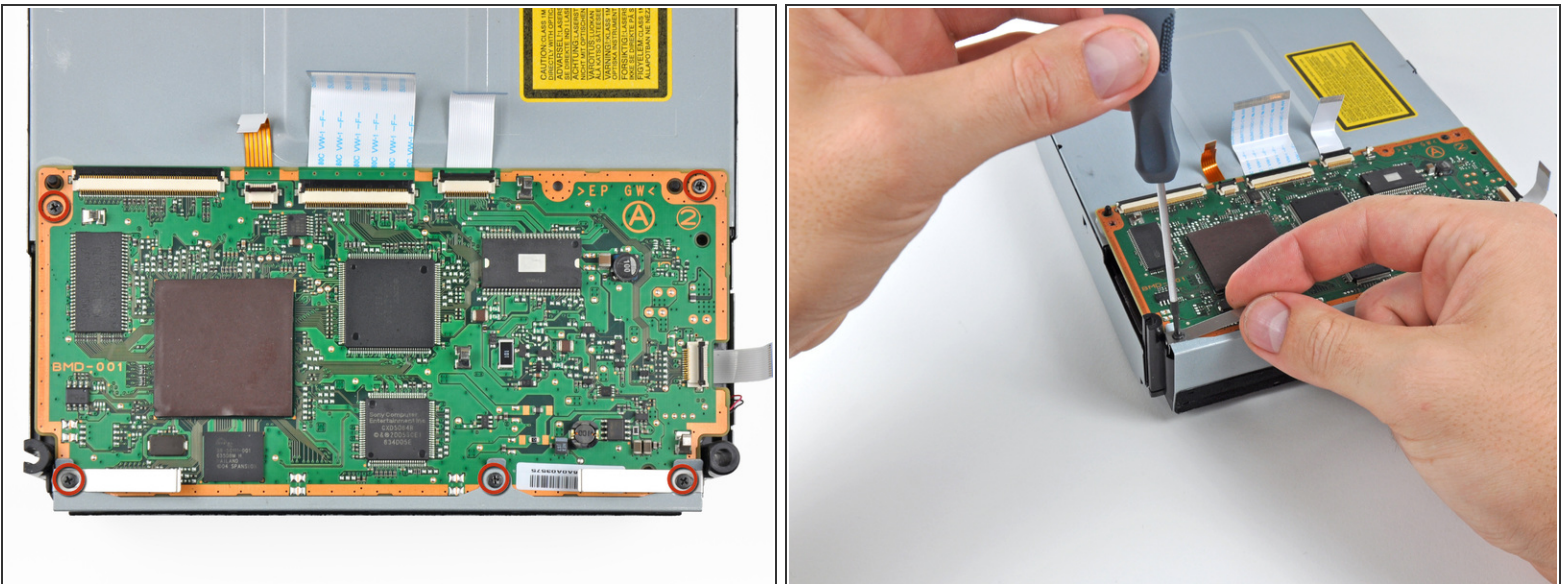


## Step 13



- Using your fingernail, lift the flap on the ZIF connector holding the Blu-ray IR sensor cable to the Blu-ray control daughterboard.
- Pull the ribbon cable straight away from its socket on the daughterboard.

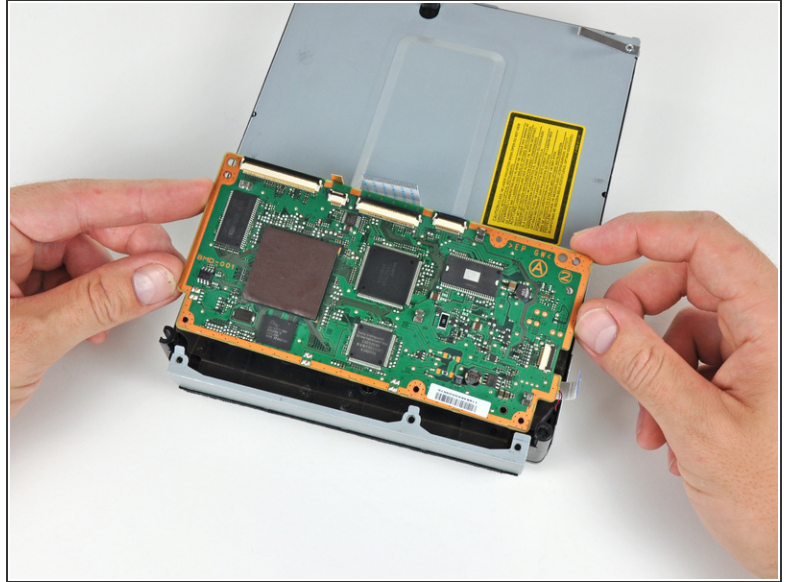
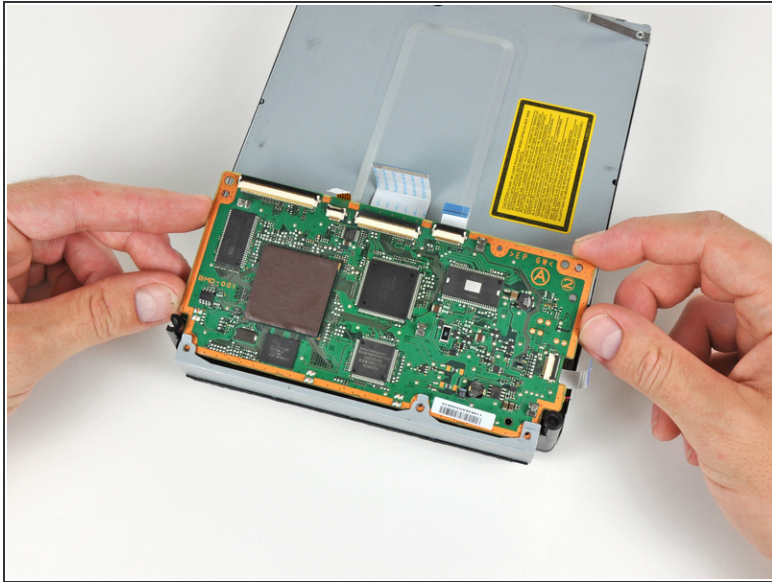
## Step 14




- Remove the five 8.4mm phillips screws securing the Blu-ray control board to the Blu-ray drive.
- ⓘ Be sure to also remove the metal ground springs from under the screws in the corners.



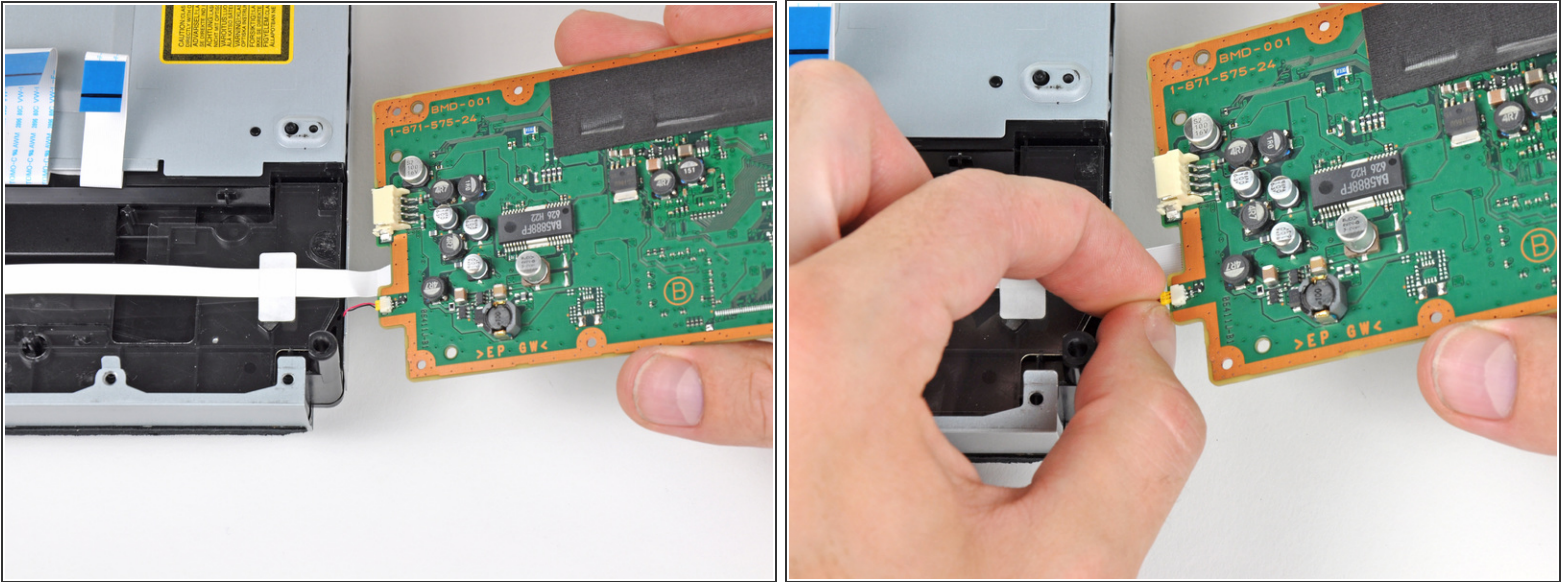
## Step 15



- Carefully lift the daughterboard from the rear edge.
- Slide the daughterboard out from under the top case.

 Do not try to remove the daughterboard yet, as it is still connected by a cable on the underside of the board.

## Step 16



- Carefully turn the daughterboard over, making sure to not tear the attached cable.
  - Pull the IR Sensor cable straight away from its socket on the board.
- ⚠ Be sure that you are not pulling on the cables as you remove the plug from its socket.
- Blu-Ray drive remains.
- ⓘ If you are replacing the Blu-ray drive, you must use the same daughterboard that came with your PlayStation 3. The daughterboard is paired to the motherboard, and the Blu-ray drive will not work with a different board.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.

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